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8 Honorable Commissioner of
9 Patents and Trademarks
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10 Dear Sir:

11 AMENDMENT

12 This communication is filed in response to the Official Action in the above-identified
13 application dated March 1, 2004, and having a shortened statutory period for response set
14 to expire on June 1, 2004. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

15 In the Claims:

16 Please amend the claims as indicated in the attached document titled "Amended
17 Claims."

18 Remarks:

19 The Examiner's indication that Claims 13, 14 and 17-20 would be allowable if
20 rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any
21 intervening claims is noted and appreciated. Also noted and appreciated is the Examiner's
22 indication that Claims 21-29, 38 and 39 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome rejections
23 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

24 Regarding the 112 rejections of Claims 21 and 23 (24), and 37, Claim 21 has been
25 canceled, Claim 24 has been amended to depend from Claim 20, thus providing proper
26 antecedent basis for "said panel ribs," and Claim 37 has been canceled.

1 Claim 1 has been canceled and all of the limitations of Claims 1, 12 and 13
2 combined into new independent Claim 41. Claims 2-14 have been amended to depend from
3 Claim 41.

4 All of the limitations of Claims 1, 15, 16, and 17 have been combined in new
5 independent Claim 42.

6 All the limitations of Claims 1, 18 and 21 have been combined into new Claim 43.

7 All of the limitations of Claims 1, 18 and 29 have been combined into new Claim
8 44.

9 All of the limitations in Claims 37 and 38 have bee combined into new Claim 45.

10 In view of the above-described amendments, it is submitted that Claims 2-14, 19-
11 28, and 39, as amended, and new Claims 41-45 should now all be in order for allowance.

12 A check in the amount of \$86.00 in payment for five = (5-3) = 2 independent claims
13 in excess of 3, is enclosed.

14 Respectfully submitted,

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